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Cable communication was interrupted during the past two weeks, but has been again established.

Respectfully,
HON. SECRETARY OF STATE.

A. M. BEAUPRÉ.

CUBA.

Reports from Cienfuegos, Casilda, and Santa Cruz del Sur.

CIENFUEGOS, CUBA, *February 25, 1901.*

SIR: I have the honor to report that during the week ended February 23, 1901, 14 deaths have occurred in this city; the following are the causes of deaths: Enteritis, 3; tuberculosis, 2; gastro-enteritis, 1; cancer, 1; cerebral hemorrhage, 1; tubercular pleurisy, 1; heart disease, 1; eclampsia, 1; insanity, 1; tetanus, infantile, 1; old age, 1. Three of these deaths occurred in the civil hospital. Death rate, 18.25. Headquarters, band, and one battalion of the Tenth United States Infantry departed on the transport *Sedgwick* on the 23d instant, for Newport News, Va.

The baggage of the troops was inspected and passed and the protection of the command from smallpox by successful vaccination was certified to by the medical officer accompanying the command.

Twenty-two vessels entered port, were inspected and granted pratique; 11 of these vessels were foreign; 18 bills of health were issued to outgoing vessels; 66 health certificates issued to outgoing passengers; 53 pieces of baggage of outgoing passengers, inspected and passed, and 38 pieces baggage, destination Manzanillo and Santiago, were labeled to be disinfected at those ports.

Casilda.—Dr. Alejandro Cantero reports 8 deaths in the city of Trinidad for the week ended February 16, 1901. No contagious disease reported in that vicinity. Inspected 7 vessels during the week; also reports 4 deaths for the week ended February 23, 1901. No contagious diseases. Inspected 6 vessels during the week.

Santa Cruz del Sur.—Dr. Juan R. Xiques reports 1 death in that port during the week ended February 23, 1901. No contagious diseases reported in that vicinity. Inspected 8 vessels at that port during the week.

Respectfully,

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Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

The SURGEON-GENERAL,
U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

The case and death of yellow fever at Cienfuegos.

CIENFUEGOS, CUBA, *March 4, 1901.*

SIR: I have the honor to report that during the week ended March 2, 1901, 12 deaths have occurred in this city; the following are the causes of deaths: Tuberculosis, 4; enteritis, 1; diabetes, 1; gastro-enteritis, 1; insufficiency, aortic, 1; wounds, 1; pneumonia, 1; gangrene, 1; pernicious fever, 1. Of these deaths, 3 occurred in the civil hospital. Death rate, 15.64.

The history of the case of yellow fever reported by cable March 3, 1901, is as follows: Patient was a steward on the Norwegian cattle steamship *Fri* which entered port the morning of the 26th instant. Patient had been taken sick the night before. The vessel was allowed to discharge her cargo, but to have no communication with the shore, the patient being kept under observation. The following day, the ship

wishing to sail, and it not being deemed humane to allow the patient to be taken to sea, he was removed from the ship and turned over to the city authorities, and by them placed in a ward of the civil hospital.

On March 3 notice was sent to this office that the case had been diagnosed as yellow fever, and on being seen by myself shortly after, the case presented all the symptoms of a severe case. I immediately wired the facts to the proper authorities.

The case was seen again this morning at the lazaretto to which he had been removed yesterday afternoon, and found suffering with black vomit and to be in a moribund condition.

At the request of the sanitary officer of the city, both the lazaretto and the ward of the hospital in which the patient had been treated will be disinfected this afternoon under my supervision.

The steamship *Fri* will be thoroughly disinfected on her return trip after the discharge of her cargo of cattle.

I inclose weekly and monthly immigration reports of this station: Twenty-two vessels have been inspected and given pratique; 22 bills of health issued to outgoing vessels; 44 health certificates issued to outgoing passengers; 68 pieces of baggage inspected and passed of passengers leaving Cienfuegos, and 36 pieces of baggage, destination Manzanillo and Santiago, were labeled to be disinfected at those stations.

Casilda.—Dr. Alejandro Cantero reports 7 deaths in the city of Trinidad during the week; no contagious diseases reported. Inspected 5 vessels at the port of Casilda during the week.

Santa Cruz del Sur.—Dr. Juan R. Xiques reports no deaths at that port during the week, and that no contagious diseases exist in that vicinity; inspected 7 vessels.

The following is a recapitulation of the reports of this station and sub-stations during the month of February: Seventy-five deaths occurred in this city of which 18 were in the civil hospital; 74 vessels entered and inspected; 1,684 members of crews inspected; 1,004 passengers inspected; 16 alien steerage passengers inspected and allowed to land; 70 bills of health issued to outgoing vessels; 216 health certificates issued to outgoing passengers; 350 pieces of baggage inspected and passed; 127 pieces of baggage, destination Manzanillo and Santiago, labeled to be disinfected at those ports.

Casilda.—Dr. Alejandro Cantero reported 24 deaths in the city of Trinidad; no contagious diseases reported during month. Inspected 26 vessels at the port of Casilda.

Santa Cruz del Sur.—Dr. Juan R. Xiques reported 4 deaths at that port during the month; no contagious diseases reported. Inspected 26 vessels at that port.

Respectfully,

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